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Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility Treatment Division

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Lisa Olson Permit Writer, NPDES Permits Unit U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10 1200 Sixth Avenue, OW-130 Seattle, Washington 98101

Subject:

Transmittal of Beluga ESA Listing Comments

Dear Ms. Olson,

The National Marine Fisheries Service has proposed that the Cook Inlet beluga whale be listed as an endangered species under the Endangered Species Act. The Anchorage Water and Wastewater Utility (AWWU) submitted comments on the proposed listing. Enclosed is a copy of AWWU's comments. It may be of some use to you during the Asplund permit renewal (AK-002255-1) because the technical memorandum summarizes the results of the last twenty years of the Asplund monitoring program.

If it would be of any value to have it in an electronic file, please let me know and I'll email it to you.

Sincerely,

Mark Spano

Water Quality Supervisor

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